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TALKING PAPER

SUBJECT: PFIAB Recommendations Concerning NIE 11-3/8

Dr. Foster has prepared a memorandum for PFIAB consideration which:

- Questions judgments in NIE 11-3/8-74 concerning Soviet ICBM accuracies, ASW capabilities and low altitude air defense.
- Questions our "net assessment" that during the next ten years it is extremely unlikely that the Soviets will conclude that they could launch an attack which would prevent devastating US retaliation.
- Contains three suggestions for the DCI:
 - a. that an organization be established to compete with CIA and other intelligence agencies in analyzing critical intelligence issues.
 - b. that users of NIEs formulate the planning problem which confront them and advise the DCI how they would like pertinent intelligence expressed--cases to examine, etc.
 - c. that "net assessments" not be included in NIEs.
- Recommends that the DCI consider the above suggestions and report to the Board any actions taken or proposed.

On 6 August Howard Stoertz and [] met with Dr. Foster and Dr. Teller to discuss his recommendations and to explain how we proposed to modify NIE 11-3/8-75 in response to PFIAB concerns (per discussion between Mr. Stoertz and Mr. Colby).

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- Dr. Foster agreed with the approach outlined and with the suggestion to expose his (or PFIAB) views to the USIB members along with the NIE.

On 6 August, CIA, DIA, NSA and Navy representatives involved in preparation of NIE 11-3/8-75 discussed with Dr. Foster his recommendations concerning the NIE and made proposals for changes in his memorandum to correct factual errors.

Recommendation: That the DCI agree to give careful consideration to PFIAB suggestions.

(prepared by NIO/SP)

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see also memo on meeting filed correspondence TOP SECRET

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